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June 27, 2018

Honorable John B. Ellis, Presiding Judge Solano County Superior Court, Dept. 23 Hall of Justice 600 Union Avenue, Room 306 Fairfield, CA 94533

Re:

City of Vacaville Response to 2017-2018 Grand Jury Report "Solano Animal Control Authority, a Joint Powers Authority"

Dear Judge Ellis:

The following is the City of Vacaville's response to the Grand Jury Report regarding the Solano Animal Control Authority (SACA).

<u>Finding 3</u> – Rules governing the composition of the board members, a specified term, and a provision for the removal of a director have not been established.

Response to Finding 3 – The City of Vacaville agrees with the finding.

<u>Recommendation 3</u> – SACA establish bylaws/rules about how its board will be configured, specified terms, and provision for the removal of a director.

Response to Recommendation 3 – The SACA Board recently solicited proposals for an agency to provide animal control services to its member agencies. Along with evaluating proposals submitted to SACA, the Board is considering alternatives, which may include dissolving the joint powers authority (JPA). No decisions have been made on this matter. The SACA Board currently consists of one representative from each of its member agencies. In the event that SACA decides to maintain the JPA, it will establish bylaws that will include provisions that clarify the composition of the Board, terms, and process for removal of a director.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Leonard J. Augustine

Mayor

Jeremy T. Craig

City Manager

cc: Solano County Grand Jury office

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May 8, 2018

Sent via email

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RE: 2017-2018 Grand Jury Report Entitled: Solano Animal Control Authority, A Joint Powers Authority

Enclosed please find a copy of the above-named report by the 2017-2018 Solano County Grand Jury. This report is provided to you <u>in advance of public release</u> as provided for in Penal Code §933.05(f). Please note that Penal Code §933.05(f) specifically prohibits any disclosure of the contents of this report by a pubic agency, its departments, officers or governing body prior to its release to the public, which will occur on **Friday, May 11, 2018**.

You are required to respond in writing to the Presiding Judge and to provide an electronic copy in pdf form to the Grand Jury regarding the Findings and Recommendations contained in the report pursuant to Penal Code §933.05. This section of the Penal Code is very specific as to the format of the responses. The Penal Code is also specific about the deadline for responses. You are required to submit your response to the Grand Jury by Monday, July 9, 2018, on signed letterhead.

The electronic copy should be sent to the Grand Jury office at cdclower@solano.courts.ca.gov.

Responses are public records. Should you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Clower, Administrative Assistant to the Grand Jury at (707)435-2575.

Sincerely,

Terry Riddle Foreperson

2017-2018 Grand Jury

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